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To:

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Just a note with some enclosures. You probably know I've spent quite a bit of time on the Johnnie Maxie (Witherspoon) Thompson aspect of the Tippit shooting. Over the last couple of weeks the National Archives has sent me additional supporting documentation. At this point I'm forwarding copies of my complete file. Feel free to pass the material along as you see fit.

It consists of:

A "general" Tippit chronology

City Directories related to the Thompson's

General Johnnie Maxie - Stephen Thompson, Jr. material including marriage license, divorce decrees, employment and children.

HSCA synopsis of interviews with:

Johnnie Maxie Witherspoon
Austin Cook
Maebert Cook

As you wade through this stuff, you may come to the same conclusion I did, that Jack Moriarity did a poor job not only of interviewing but following up on clues.

At any rate, we now have Moriarity's reports on Johnnie Maxie Thompson, Austin Cook and Maybert Cook. Note the following which may be of interest:

Austin Cook - On page five of the Austin Cook interview, Cook asks Moriarity if he knows where Witherspoon lived in 1963 and if he finds out that might tell him why Tippit was at Tenth and Patton.

Maybert Cook - On page two there is mention of a conversation between Marie Tippit and Austin Cook about some mysterious flowers. This possibly in relation to the Tippit funeral.

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Coupling all this with the testimony of Virginia Davis and William Scoggins it would seem Johnnie was living at the residence occupied by Ann McRaven on Tenth.

My sheet on Susan Marie Thompson might help explain the "frantic" phone call made by Tippit from the Top Ten record store. Susan was born June 17, 1964 which would mean she was conceived around September 17, 1963. Therefore, questions related to Johnnie's pregnancy would have been resolve around November 17, 1963, five days prior to the assassination. Tippit could have called her asking if she was pregnant and when she answered in the affirmative he raced over to the house.

I also have the Tippit autopsy photographs. They are negatives in 2 1/4" X 2 1/4" format. Once I scrape up the money to have them converted into 8 X 10 glossy prints I will forward you a set.

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p.s. Harold - Don't worry about the book. I will try to pick one up locally. We you have the opportunity sending me an index would be fine.